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23 April 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Discussion of Agency ADP and Communication Status
with DCI Staff

1. On 21 April 1982, Messrs. [] were invited by Messrs. [] of the DCI Staff to discuss the Agency's status with respect to ADP and communications capabilities in light of limited or general disaster conditions. Messrs. [] had previously discussed communications "links" with OC so were mainly interested in ADP capabilities. []

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2. We explained the current Agency posture with respect to ADP capabilities. []

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3. It was explained that although ODP in general does "backup" software and information on a regular basis, the exercise of actually retrieving and installing the "backup" system in some non-ODP facility (simulating the failure of an ODP facility) has never been undertaken. It is doubtful that this exercise could be carried out in a timely manner at this time. Both ODP and OC have attempted to budget for backup capabilities several times, however, the resources required to pursue it have always been denied in the budgetary process. []

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4. We also explained the current activities of the IHSA to Messrs. [] They had several questions concerning Local Area Networks, Office Automation, Information Use, Dissemination, etc. We explained our current efforts in all these areas and solicited their observations and/or requirements. While interested, they had no specific comments. []

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